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Always on hand and for sale, Clocks, Watches, Plated Ware, Forks, Spoons, Silver Napkin Rings, Silver Thimbles, Salt, Sugar and Tea Spoons, Butter Knives, Gold Breast-Pins, Ear-Rings, Finger-Rings, Sleeve Buttons, Watch Chains, Watch Keys, Key Rings, Steel Watch Chains, &c.

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Fruit and Produce

COMMISSION MERCHANT,

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A large and varied assortment of

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For Sale at low rates.

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Meets for practice every Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

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OFFICE HOURS.—Opens at 6 30 a m and closes at 9 p m every day except Sunday
Mails for the North close at 7.30 a m, and 2.45 p m.
Mail for the South closes at 10 15 a m.
Mails for Odessa close at 10.23 a m and 7.30 p m.
Mails for Warwick, Sassafras and Cecilton close at 10.23 a m.

DELAWARE RAILROAD.

Passenger trains going North leave at 7.46 a m and 3.01 p m.; going South at 10.33 a m and 7.55 p m. Freight trains with passenger car attached, going North, leave at 5.20 p m; going South, at 6.30 a m.

STAGE LINES.

Stage for Odessa, with U. S. Mail, leaves shortly after arrival of the 10.43 am and 7.55 p m mail trains.

Stages for Warwick, Sassafras and Cecilton leave shortly after arrival of the 10.43 a m train.

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The undersigned respectfully announces to the citizens of Middletown and vicinity that he has on hand a large and well selected stock of handsome and durable

Walnut and Other Furniture,

which he will sell very cheap for cash. Buying at wholesale cash rates he feels assured that he can sell as low as the same goods can be bought elsewhere. By buying of him purchasers will be saved the freight on their goods from the city.

He is also prepared to attend to

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at short notice, and in a manner excelled by none. Persons wishing Metallic or Wooden Caskets or Cases will find it to their advantage to call on him. He has, also,

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Celebrated Corpse Preserver,

The Corpse may be dressed in the finest fabrics and not be soiled, (and can be seen at all times) as nothing but dry cold air enters the Casket.

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150 Cords of Oak and Maple WOOD, either in the woods or delivered in quantities to suit purchasers. Apply to JOHN A. REYNOLDS,

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Select Poetry.

AT FORTY.

The sun of life has crossed the line,
The summer-shine of lengthened light
Faded and failed—till, where I stand,
'Tis equal day and equal night

One after one, as dwindling hours,
Youth's glowing hopes have dropped away,
And soon may barely leave the gleam,
That coldly scores a winter's day.

I am not young, I am not old;
The flush of morn, the sunset calm,
Paling and deepening, each to each,
Meet midway with a solemn charm.

One side I see the summer fields,
Not yet disrobed of all their green;
While westerly, along the hills,
Flame the first tints of frosty sheen.

Ah! middle point, where clouds and storm
Make battle-ground of this my life!
Where, even matched, the night and day
Wage round me their September strife!

I bow me to the threatening gale;
I know, when that is overpast,
Among the peaceful harvest days,
An Indian summer comes at last.

RELEASE.

If one had watched a prisoner many a year,
Standing behind a barred window pane,
Fettered with heavy handcuff and with chain,
And gazing on the blue sky far and clear,
And suddenly some morning he should hear
The man had in the night contrived to gain
His freedom and was safe, would this bring pain?
Ah! would it not to the dullest heart appear
Good tidings?
Yesterday I looked on one
Who lay as if asleep in perfect peace.
His long imprisonment for life was done.
Eternity's great freedom his release
Had brought. Yet they who loved him called him dead,
And wept, refusing to be comforted.

Select Story.

A WOMAN IN DISGUISE.

How Kate Franklin Played Housekeeper.

WANTED—A Housekeeper—No one but an elderly person, competent, and of the highest respectability need apply. Call between the hours of 9 and 2, Thursday, August 6, at No.—, Blank street.

Kate Franklin read this in the paper which lay on the counter in the little grocery while waiting to have an ounce or two of tea done up and a roll of baker's bread.

She repeated the number of the house over to herself as she received the change from the grocer.

She prepared the tea after she returned to the little bare attic, and ate her scanty meal mechanically. She forgot how unsatisfied her appetite still was in her busy thought.

A stranger in a strange place, successively she had tried to find a situation as teacher, copyist, in a store, sewing. She had failed in the first three, and was starving on the last.

She would apply for the place, but she would need references. Only one person she knew in the whole great city of sufficient influence—Mrs. Davenport, the rich, haughty step-sister who had ill-treated her gentle mother while she lived, and hated Kate herself.

Perhaps Kate thought she would permit her to refer to her, because glad to have her descend to menial employment.

Kate was competent for the situation, for during her mother's long illness and her father's absence she had entire charge of their large family and splendid house.

But an "elderly woman." Now Kate was not an elderly woman, being only twenty; but she remembered, with a sort of pleasure, that in private theatricals in happier days she had imitated the voice and assumed the character of an old woman with great success. She knew how to stain the skin to give an old and wrinkled appearance, and she had in the bottom of a box some false gray hair and a muslin cap worn on one of these occasions. She did not need to look so very old—only to present a mature and matronly appearance.

Mr. Edward Dayton waited at home after his dinner to see the respondents to his advertisement. He was a handsome man, not yet thirty, with a gay, frank, good-natured countenance.

He leaned back in a nonchalant way, his feet on another chair.

"There ought to be a Mrs. Dayton to manage these housekeeping matters. Well, there is time enough."

Two applicants were seen and dismissed in Mr. Dayton's gentlemanly way.

A third was ushered in. Mr. Dayton instinctively laid aside his cigar, and placed a chair for his visitor.

The lady-likeness and propriety of her manner pleased him at once. "Fallen fortunes," he commented to himself.

She answered his questions readily, but in few words.

"A silent woman—a good thing," was his inward remark.

"I think you will suit me, Mrs —— what may I understand your name?"

"Franklin."

"Mrs. Franklin, you will be required to go out of town about seven miles, to my country house, Oak Grove, in the town of Embury, on the Grand Central Railroad. The salary I propose to pay is $600 per annum. Do my terms suit you?"

She answered quietly that they did.

"Then it's all settled. By the way, I suppose you have references, though that is a mere matter of form."

The name of Davenport was given.

"Davenport? Robert Davenport? I know them. All right. If convenient, you will please go to-morrow, Mrs. Franklin, or the next day. I shall not come till the middle of next week, and probably bring a friend or two with me. Have the chambers in the centre and the wings prepared, if you please. The housekeeper there now will not leave until Saturday. She will show you round."

"Is Mrs. ——, your wife, there, or to go soon?"

He laughed.

"Mrs. Edward Dayton? No, she is not there, and I do not know of her going there at present." Adding more seriously: "I have not the pleasure, Mrs. Franklin, of having a wife," with a slight stress on "pleasure."

A vivid color came into the brown cheek of the housekeeper, and her manner showed evident embarrassment.

"I thought—I believe—I cannot—" and stopped.

He did not notice it. His mind was already turned to other things. He rose.

"It's all settled, I believe. By the way," his eyes falling on the rusty black dress, "you may like an advance, as an evidence of the bargain. It is quite customary, I believe, to do so."

The housekeeper's hand closed on the fifty dollars that he gave her, and the words she would have said were left unuttered. She moved to the door. He opened it for her courteously.

"Good morning, madam."

"Good morning," she replied.

"I cannot starve; I must go; I can keep up my disguise," she murmured.

Mr. Dayton, accompanied by a friend, arrived at his country house the middle of the ensuing week. Everything within and without the house was in perfect order. If the new housekeeper had made a few mistakes at first, they were soon rectified. Every room that she had touched showed a magical change.

Her predecessor had been one of the kind who believed in the sunlight never entering a room for fear of fading the carpets.

Mr. Dayton felt the change without knowing the reason of it. He looked around with a satisfied air.

It was not possible to find fault with the variety and quality of the food placed before them, nor the manner of its being served, and the table appointments were perfect; and Dayton congratulated himself upon having such a jewel of a housewife.

The weeks passed and a holiday came. Mr. Dayton had gone to town the day previous, to remain the rest of the week. The housekeeper had given permission to the servants to go also. She felt a welcome relief to have the house and the day to herself. She locked the doors carefully after the last servant. She would have no dinner—only lunch. She had almost forgotten her real character in that which she assumed; but to-day she could be herself without fear of intrusion or discovery.

She laid aside her cap and gray dresses, washed the stain from her skin, and arranged her luxurious hair in becoming curls, and donned a pretty fresh muslin, which fitted well the slight, graceful figure. This done, she entered the parlor and stood before the mirror as attractive a figure as one would often see.

"Truly, I have forgotten my own looks! I am Kate Franklin, after all!" she said.

Removed from her long restraint, her spirits rebounded. She felt gay, light-hearted, and like committing any foolishness.

"Miss Franklin," she said, in the mincing, affected tones of an exquisite, "it would be inexpressible pleasure to hear the music of that long silent voice."

"It would be a great pity to deprive you of it then," she answered, in her natural voice, "and myself also," she added, and going to the piano, she opened it and played a few pieces with exquisite taste and skill, and then she sang song after song in a sweet, clear cultivated voice.

She chose at first the brilliant and triumphant, then the sad and plaintiff succeeded. There were tears in her eyes when she rose. But to-day her moods were capricious.

"Mrs. Franklin, who is playing on the piano?" she asked in an excellent imitation of Mr. Dayton's voice.

"It is only I, sir, dusting the keys. They need dusting so often," she replied, in Mrs. Franklin's meagre tone; and she dusted them vigorously with her pocket handkerchief.

"Ah, me," she said. "Now what other foolish thing shall I do to prove to myself that I am not an elderly housekeeper, but a young girl, who by virtue of her age should be gay, by right of birth wealthy and of consideration, visited and visiting, as Mr. Dayton's lady visits and is visited. He is noble, good and handsome", she said, with a sigh. "She will be happy. How gracefully she danced here at the party the other evening, when the old housekeeper was permitted to look on. She looks good and amiable, too. Mr. Dayton danced with her three times. I wonder if I have forgotten how to dance?" and humming an air she floated gracefully about the room.

She stopped breathless, her cheeks brilliant from the exercise, her splendid hair disaranged.

"I believe I feel like stiff, old Mrs. Franklin, with whom dancing doesn't agree."

"One more song by that heavenly voice, and I shall go away dreaming I have heard angels sing," in the ludicrously affected voice she had before imitated.

"Ah," she laughed, yet half sadly, "the compliments poor old housekeeper Franklin receives I hope won't quite spoil her, and turn her silly old head."

She sat down again at the piano, and sang "Home Sweet Home," and then played one of Beethoven's grandest, most solemn pieces.

She rose and closed the piano.

"The carnival is ended! Kate Franklin disappears from the scene, and Madam Franklin enters."

Neither Mr. Dayton nor the servants would have suspected, from the placid and dignified deportment of the housekeeper, when they returned at evening, of what strange freaks she had been guilty. The housekeeper, as usual, when Mr. Dayton was alone, sat at the table. It had commenced to rain violently, and the weather had grown suddenly cold.

Mr. Dayton, as he had done occasionally, invited her to the library, where a cheerful fire burned in the grate. He read the letters and papers which he had brought with him from town, while she knitted.

An hour or more passed in silence; indeed, the housekeeper seldom spoke except when asked a question. At length Mr. Dayton looked up to her and said abruptly:

"Yours must be a lonely life, madam. If it is not a painful subject, may I ask how long since you lost your husband?"

Two hands suspended employment, two eyes looked up to him with an alarmed expression. In his serious, sympathetic countenance there was nothing to frighten or embarrass, but the red grew deeper on her brown cheek.

"It is a painful subject," she said at last, faltering, "if you will please excuse me."

One morning he was speaking of the great loss to children in being deprived of their parents.

"I never knew a mother," he said. "She died before my earliest recollections. I believe that, man as I am, if I had a mother I should go to her with all my griefs, as a little child would. I have sometimes thought of asking you to act as mother in the quiet evenings, when I have longed to confide in some one. My mother would have been about your age, I think."

Again there was a vivid color in the cheek of the housekeeper, such as is rarely seen in the aged, but it was accompanied by a quiver in the mouth, and ended in a cough, but both mouth and cheek were quickly covered with a handkerchief, and quite a violent fit of coughing succeeded.

Mr. Dayton, however, did not seem to notice, though he had given her one curious glance, instantly withdrawn, and he continued:

"For instance, respecting matrimony, whose advice of so much value as a mother's? Who so quick to see through the character and make a good selection? Had you a son, whom about here would you select for a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Franklin?"

"I am not acquainted with any of the young ladies, Mr. Dayton," she answered.

"True, but you have seen them all, and are, I should judge, a good discerner of character from observation. Whom would you select from those you have seen?" he persisted.

She reddened and paled.

"I have heard the Misses Grandison highly spoken of. Their appearance would seem to prove the truth. I doubt not that you agree with me." she replied quietly.

It was now his turn to color, which he did slightly.

"I do agree with you," he answered emphatically.

It was late in September. Mr. Dayton and the housekeeper were both in the parlor. He had been unusually grave all day. It seemed to the housekeeper that his manner was changed towards her.

"I have a few questions to ask, if you will permit me, Mrs. Franklin?"

She felt instinctive alarm at his tone.

"Certainly," with an effort.

There was an ominous pause.

"I have been told," he said, "that Miss Kate Franklin, a young lady, by disguising herself, palmed herself off upon me for several months as an elderly lady. Is there any truth in the story?" looking searchingly at her.

She started to her feet, then tremblingly sank back into a chair.

"Yes, it is true," she murmured, falteringly.

"I confess I fail to see for what object. My heart you could hardly expect to gain in that character."

"Your heart," she repeated scornfully; "I had no such laudable ambition; I had never seen or heard of you till I saw your advertisement. Would you like to know for what purpose I took upon me a disguise so repugnant? You shall. To save myself from starvation. I had eaten but one meal a day for a week when I applied to you, and was suffering with hunger then. My money was all gone, except a few pennies, with which to buy a roll of bread for the next day's meal, and I had no prospects of more, for I had been refused further sewing. But why should you find fault?" her anger rising.—"What matter if I were Miss or Mrs. Franklin, old or young, if I fulfilled the duties I undertook? Have I not taken good care of your house? Have I not made you comfortable! If I have not, deduct from this quarter's salary which you paid this morning whatever you like."

"I have no fault to find, except for placing yourself and me in an awkward position, should this become known."

Waves of color mounted to the poor housekeeper's temples. "I thought—I meant that no one should know, least of all you—beside—I thought, when I engaged to come, that you were married. Oh, what shall I do?" and she burst into a passion of tears.

Mr. Dayton's manner changed.

"Kate! Kate! I did not mean to distress you. Nobody knows but me—nobody shall know." And he soothed her tenderly. "Kate, look up. I love you with my whole heart. I want you to be my little housekeeper—my wife—always. Kate, what do you say?" taking her in his arms and laying his cheek against hers. "My own Kate, is is not?"

She murmured something between her sobs that she must go away that minute.

"Nonsense, darling! Haven't you been here for months? You are safe with me, Katie. Oh, because I know you are Miss Franklin, will you not give me the inexpressible pleasure of hearing it from that long-silent voice? Oh, Katie, you bewitched me that day! I am afraid you will bewitch me always. But, Katie, let's take off these trappings," untying her cap and removing the gray hair, and with this action down fell the wealth of brown tresses.

"Oh, Mr. Dayton, you were not—surely you were not home that day?" looking up, covered with confusion.

"Yes, Mr. Dayton was—in the library," with an accent on his name which Kate understood.

"Oh, Edward, and you teased me with all those foolish questions when you knew?"

"Yes, my Kate; why not?"

"But you looked so innocent?"

He laughed.

"I shall soon, I hope, have somebody, if not a mother, to confide in; and, Kate, it is my duty and pleasure to give you a husband, so in future you can answer without so much pain when he is inquired after."

"You are too generous."

"I can afford to be generous;" he said, "when I have had the precious gift of your love. Kate, blest forever be the day that I first engaged my housekeeper."

Live Within Your Income.

If you earn but $1.50 a day, make $1.00 pay your expenses. There is a young man in this town who is making but $9.00 a week; he has a comfortable room with many books and ornaments, and he boards in a very respectable house, dresses well, goes with good society and is popular. There is another who has been ten year's in a bank; beginning at a salary of $500, he has received almost annual advances until he now has $3000 a year. And this man so highly favored, has never been out of debt. When his salary was $700, he lived on $800; when $1000, he expended $1300; when $2000, he spent yearly $2300, and now, at the monthly pay of $250, he frequently has small bills presented which he cannot promptly discharge and notes become due which he cannot honor. He lives in a commodious house, expensively furnished, keeps several servants, drives a fast horse, and owns a yacht. In addition to all these creature comforts he has put a contract into the builder's hands for a seaside cottage to be ready for next season. To sit down at this man's dinner table you would imagine he was a millionaire, so great is the display of silverware, and the indulgence in expensive luxuries. In a conversation, a short time since, he expressed regret that, while a youth, he had fallen into the habits of extravagance from which he had never been able to escape. From the first, to feel a want was to obtain a way by some strategy or other to satisfy the cravings.

There is everything in a young man beginning right and discipling the mind to do without what is not necessary. Every craving beyond your cash resources should be strangled at its birth. Once in the meshes of debt it is impossible to extricate yourself: you get deeper and deeper in the net. The unpleasant sensation at first produced by the thought of your liabilities, is superseded by a feeling of resignation; in a short time you are comfortable in the knowledge that nobody knows how much you owe; next you begin to congratulate yourself that your credit is so good, and finally you boast of the sums due your creditors.

Almost all defaulters trace their crime to extravagance. This class of criminals do not at first propose to defraud the employer or the corporation for which they transact business, they simply borrow money privately with the intention of replacing, but becoming more involved the secret loans are increased until the irregular procedure is carried to such an extent as to be easily discovered. The deluded man becomes the victim of his own imprudence, and is sooner or later plunged into disgrace by the necessary exposure.

It is unwise to borrow, even small sums; if you begin borrowing a dollar, the reluctance to ask for a lone decrease as amounts increase. You will find it easier to ask for $10 than $2, there is a respectability about the size of the lone that seems to vouch for its punctual return. There are many men receiving a salary, or having an income from investments, which ought to keep him handsomely, who are embarrassed through debt; they are compelled to borrow of one party to pay another, with no prospects of a removal of the weight from their shoulders. It is an unenviable and deplorable situation, and should be avoided by any sacrifice, by all who have a tendency in the same direction. Begin right. Divest yourself of extravagant notions if you have them. Pay your washerwoman every week.—*Exchange.*

Management of Sheep.

A correspondent gives some excellent advice in the *Country Gentleman* concerning the management of sheep, from which we quote the following:

The number of sheep in a summer flock, if the pasture is not rough, thereby causing too much travel by the sheep to get their living, may be as many as the owner can oversee and care for; in the winter not more than 100 should be kept together, and a smaller flock is preferable in every respect. Sheep, if kept in large flocks, do not winter as well, besides wasting more feed in proportion.

As to which breed will stand the greatest amount of cold, probably the Vermont merinoes suffer the least from cold, but any sheep, if strong and healthy, with plenty to eat, will endure any amount of cold weather if they are only kept in a dry yard and have a dry place to eat and sleep in. Here is the great cause of failure in many cases—muddy yards and leaky sheds, or worse, no sheds at all.

The best food for sheep I ever used, all things considered, is good, bright, early-cut hay, and one peck of corn and oats, mixed equal parts to 100 sheep daily. Roots may be well enough, but one season cured me of any desire to raise and feed them.

The sheds for 200 ewes should contain 2,000 square feet of flooring, and more is better; each sheep needs at least ten square feet of space.

Opinions differ as to the number of sheep to be apportioned to one ram; many think 100 enough. Unless everything is arranged for the purpose of raising very early or winter lambs, it is best to have them come about the time grass grows; but to do this, a pasture must be had convenient to the barn, as they should be guarded nights during the lambing season, and seen frequently through the day.

The best rack I ever saw was simply 6 inch boards nailed to posts like a common board fence, 8 inches apart, three boards in height, with perpendicular slats 4 inches wide, 12 inches apart; rack 18 inches wide, if only one side is used, 30 inches if both sides are used.

Lambs ought to be weaned when from sixteen to eighteen weeks old, in order that the ewes may get in good condition for winter.

For a beginner it is best to avoid extremes; build no fancy sheds; wait until you know all about it from experience; get good, sound stock, not too old; use them well, in a simple, commonsense manner, and they will pay from the beginning.

Standing on the corner the other day, with his back fitted to a lamp-post, a Detroit newsboy soliloquised: "I wish I was a hoss. If I was a hoss and had hind legs, I'd edge around to where dad was jawin' mother, and I'd lift him—o-h-h! I'd raise him for business!" Gently rubbing the post with his back, he continued, after a moment: "No, I don't wish I was a hoss, either, for dad would be just mean enough to dodge and make me kick my sore heel agin something!"

Varieties.

Brignoli will revisit this country.

A Jefferson county (Ind.) pig runs on 8 legs.

A new name for tight boots—A corn crib.

The city of Vienna has a $3,000,000 opera house.

A birth takes place every five minutes in London.

Western car conductors don't splurge in heavy jewelry.

The voice of the stump speaker is heard no more in the land.

This year is going to be the best oyster year for twenty years.

Large quantities of American brooms are now shipped to Europe.

It is $100 fine to hold a Wisconsin girl by the neck and kiss her on the ear.

A blind man is lecturing down South. He must have an eye to business.

Unser Fritz will bring Elizabeth over with him. She carries eighteen guns.

The chilly spell has done the business for the mosquitoes and the hay fever.

Labor to keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire called conscience.

A boy of Delavan, Wis., has been going to school seven years and never missed a day.

Jacob Benjamin, a wealthy Baltimorean, died recently from the effects of using hair dye.

The Kentucky papers say the tobacco crop is all "cured." It wasn't a very sick crop, though.

Kate Field desires it known that she is not one of those sensitive plants which can be killed by critics.

Halford, the Leicestershire sauce man, has become an Indiana editor. Hope his paper won't be sassy.

A Vermont Court has decided that no base ball club has the right to hit an old woman on the ear with the ball.

Joaquin Miller nominates Longfellow for President. The poet would probably be a-verse to holding office.

M. Cuffet, the French statesman, is described as a tall, lean, sententious man, who smiles but rarely, as if it hurt him.

Mrs. Livermore says that marriage and a home are not all that woman wants. She's just right. They'd want a new bonnet.

President Foss, of Wesleyan University, says the scholar needs brawn as well as brain. He is disposed to Fosster athletic sports.

"He was milking the river and fell in," is the Rochester Democrat's epitaph on the milkman who was drowned in that city the other day.

The increase in the number of insane committed from San Francisco the present year is 22 per cent over the corresponding period last year.

Over one hundred bushels of corn were husked at an old-fashiond husking party in Connecticut last week. The number of "red ears" isn't stated.

"I stand upon the soil of freedom!" cried a stump orator. "No," exclaimed his shoemaker, "you stand in a pair of boots that have never been paid for."

In putting up a stovepipe remember that the elbow was made to fit the oven door, and that six blows from an ax will knock thunder and lightning out of any joint.

"I saw an excellent thing in your pamphlet," said Daniel O'Connell to a young writer. "Eh? What sir?" was the eager rejoinder. "A penny bun, my friend."

A scientist has ascertained that a man is 1,876 times as large as a house fly, and this knowledge is enough to make a fellow sheer his hat over his ear and step high.

A young lady asking a young man in a music store, "Have you happy dreams?" was astonished when he replied: "No, ma'am, I'm mostly troubled with the nightmare."

Conversation between Cincinnati young ladies—"She's the most disagreeable girl I ever saw. "Yes and the proudest, though her father packed only a hundred hogs last year."

A St. Louis sportsman, according to the Republican, recently killed 1706 black birds at one shot. We have added 1000 to this story, but that is nothing in a story of that magnitude.—*Buffalo Courier.*

The proceedings of the Court of Commissioners of Alabama Claims were somewhat enlivened on Saturday by the appearance of an insane man, who claimed the whole British award of $15,000,000 as his own.

Wendell Philips credits Horace Greeley with having said to a lecture committee, who paid him in western bank bills, that if convenient he would prefer to have a well-executed counterfeit on some eastern bank.

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SATURDAY MORNING, NOV. 13, 1875.

Local and State Affairs.

Items of Local Interest.

A Christiana man made 15,000 gallons of cider this season.

The Worden Basket Factory, of Smyrna, is to be extensively enlarged and remodeled.

A U. S. custom house has been established at Lewes, and a deputy collector of customs appointed.

The Criminal Court, or Court of Oyer and Terminer, of this county, will meet at New Castle on Monday.

Mr. Jacob Levy has purchased the well-known watering place, Kitt's Hammock, Kent county, of J. E. Norris.

Our county jail is said to have 120 inmates of whom 60 are awaiting trial at the approaching term of court.

Robert Clayton, aged 21, of Smyrna, was found dead in bed at his boarding house in Philadelphia last Sunday morning.

Samuel Rodgers, of Wilmington, accidentally upset a coal oil lamp a few days ago and was badly burned about the head and face.

Eli Crozier, Esq., (We the People) wants to erect a log cabin on the Centennial grounds, to represent Delaware's style of architecture 100 years ago.

John W. Hall, Esq., of Frederica, offers a reward of $5 for the recovery of a pocket book which contained papers of value to him.

Peter Springer, an aged citizen of Wilmington, formerly of Newark, died at the residence of his son, Lewis R. Springer, in that city last Sunday in his 82d year.

Rev. Dr. Patton will preach at Armstrong's Chapel, to-morrow afternoon, at 3 o'clock. Subject: "Intercession of Christ." All are cordially invited.

Why in creation don't the O'Byrnes print their paper better. It is a shame that the typographical appearance of such a spicy, well-conducted paper should be so abominably bad.

Joseph Ward, one of the *Gazette's* carrier boys, was shot in the hand by a pistol which was accidentally discharged while he was drawing it from his pocket. He had no business to have it in his pocket.

Robert Murray, of New Castle Hundred, was robbed of a watch and chain valued at $50, and several other articles by an employee of the Tasker Works, named James Murray, on the 21st ult. The thief has not yet been captured.

The Jackson & Sharp Co., of Wilmington, are shipping five new cars to the Elevated Railway Co., in New York. The railway has just been opened to Forty-second street, and the new cars are to meet the increased demand of travel.

Personal.

George Alfred Townsend, Esq., called at our office on Monday, while on his way down the State. We regret that we were absent. We would have been well pleased to meet our old school-boy friend.

Lecture.

Prof. Woodward, whose lectures were so heartily received by our people, during the session of the Teachers' Institute here, has accepted an invitation from the Wilmington teachers and will lecture for them next Tuesday night on "School Government."

New Paper.

The *Saturday Visitor*, the new Wilmington weekly paper, published by Henry Rau, of the *Pioneer*, made its first appearance last Saturday. It is a twenty-eight column, neatly printed, paper, filled with select reading matter, and is to be issued at $1.50 per annum.

More Military.

Governor Cochran issued an order, a few days ago, to Adjutant General Reynolds, to arm and equip Company B, German Military Company, 66 men. The necessary requisition for arms was at once sent to Washington and the company will soon be armed and ready for drill. It is presumed they will take part in the military display at the Centennial.

Extensive Sales.

Geo. W. Ingram, real estate agent, of this town, has sold the following property: Farm of Sewell Green to William Flintham, for $17,000; the farm of Victor Green, deceased, to John Drummond, for $28,406; the lumber yard and factory of J. B. Fenimore, in Middletown, for $8,500, purchaser's name not given; and the mill property of John Drummond to J. B. Fenimore, for $15,000. Who can beat it?

M. E. Church Matters.

Of sixty persons who presented themselves as candidates for membership in the Methodist Church of Middletown, within the last twelve months, forty-seven had been received up to last Sabbath. These all had passed satisfactorily the examination and tests of six months probation, and were recommended to the pastor by their leaders. Several have been discontinued. A few remain to be received probably hereafter. The additions are regarded as increasing the religious power, as well as numerical strength materially.

The yearly collection on behalf of the Church Extension Society will be taken up in the Methodist Church to-morrow (Sunday.)

L. C. M.

Malicious Mischief.

E. B. Rice offers a reward of $10 for the apprehension of the party or parties, who broke his signboard on the 9th inst., Mr. Rice had just put this sign up—a very neat and pretty little affair—and on the evening referred to, he says a party of young men and boys gathered in front of the store, after it was closed for the night, and amused themselves by throwing stones at his sign until they broke it to pieces. There are a number of boys in this town whose parents, by allowing them to run in the street and receive its education, are bringing up in the straight road that leads to jail and the penitentiary.

There is a law providing for the punishment of malicious mischief and were it put into force much of this damage to property and other annoyances could be prevented.

Middletown and Vicinity Items.

BY OUR LOCAL REPORTER.

Two Italian musicians harmonized the youths of Middletown for an hour or two on Thursday, notwithstanding their "murder" of one of Strauss' waltzes.

A rumor is in circulation that ex-Gov. Ross, of Seaford, will commence the manufacture of peach baskets in Middletown next Spring and that he has already rented the building now used by Woodall & Co. as a drill factory. For the truth of this rumor, we can offer no reference.

Peach Blossom Grange No. 3 have sent invitations to their entertainment at their Hall on Tuesday evening, 23d inst. The evening exercises will be pleasant and will wind up with a gorgeous supper. Committee—Joseph Hanson, H. A. Nowland, John Cochran, Mrs. C. R. Stites and Miss Marion Hura.

Mr. John Dunmond has sold his grist mill situated 1½ miles from Middletown, to J. B. Fenimore, Esq., who will take possession of the same March 25th, next. Mr. Drummond has purchased ground on Green street, near the Episcopal Church, and will erect thereon a dwelling house and will occupy it when completed.

Geo. Alfred Townsend, the well-known correspondent, paid a visit to Forest cemetery, Middletown, and Drawyer's and the Quaker cemeteries, Odessa, on Monday morning, collecting dates of deceased Delawareans for a letter he intends publishing. Other notes were taken, and we may look for a rather lengthy description of our town and its objects of interest, soon.

Do you ever remember going for a "bee tree" at night? A young man who recently came to Middletown was nearly made a "victim of the honey" on Monday night last, but some friend informed him of the result of such a trip, and he respectfully declined, not once thinking that he was disappointing ten or twelve "boys" lying along the road with an equal number of guns and revolvers, ready for the race. This sport is successfully carried on in Elkton, Md., producing much enjoyment.

Sportsmen in this vicinity are numerous. For partridges and other birds, the Levels has the preference, as they are more numerous in that section than any other within driving distance of Middletown. For rabbits, the neighborhood of Masseys, Md., is selected by our own gunners, and the game is brought home in large numbers. In two days, three young men killed twenty-six rabbits, and say they left any number behind that can be easily killed if two or three dogs are taken along.

It is highly probable that, if the directors of the Town Hall would purchase five or six scenes for the stage, an amateur dramatic association would be organized and give an entertainment that would pay for the same, and the Hall would thereafter present an agreeable appearance to any audience that may assemble. One of those plays that are easily represented would be selected, for instance, "Ten Nights in a Bar-Room," and it would be much better appreciated and more generally attended than any variety show in existence. We hope this suggestion will be considered, and the improvement finally made.

At the late Bridgeville fair, two brass bands, the Seaford and Dover, entered the lists to contest for a premium of $100 offered by the officers of said fair. Seaford carried off the premium, and complaint was immediately made through the columns of a Wilmington paper that members of the Diamond State band of Middletown were in the Seaford band and really were the means of the band receiving the premium. This is a misstatement. Messrs. George W. Price and F. J. Penington have been connected with the Seaford band for two or three years, being full members, as the books will show, therefore, they received only their share of the amount awarded to the Seaford band, and were not specially hired for the occasion. No, Dover, you are entirely wrong in your imagination, and should accept the situation calmly, knowing that your band cannot successfully compete with its superior.

Divine Service.

The Church of St. Augustine, Bohemia Manor, will be opened for divine service to-morrow (Sunday) at 3½ P. M.

Sales of Real Estate.

Sheriff Lambson sold at Delaware City, on Monday, the real estate of the late Samuel Jefferson, the Farmers' Bank being purchasers of the whole of it through Richard G. Cooper, as follows: The farm in St. George's Hundred, at $6,000; and the houses and lots in Port Penn, one at $425 and the other at $280.

The farm of Joseph Lindsey, deceased, in Mill Creek Hundred, 205 acres, was sold at public sale, last week, by the executor, Samuel Lindsay, to Mrs. E. E. Ocheltree, for $18,603.75, or $90.75 per acre. The farm is about seven miles from Wilmington and is highly improved.

Sheriff Lambson, last week, sold the farm of C. C. Henry, in New Castle Hundred to James H. Ray and Samuel Lindsay, for $6,650; also a small lot, 4½ acres, adjoining above, for $10.

The Late Peach Crop.

The *Commercial* furnishes a statement of the shipments of peaches from the Peninsula by the various transportation lines during the season, with other interesting matter, from which we gather the following. These are not claimed as official, but are based upon information from various sources, with a few estimates, and are claimed by the *Commercial* as nearly accurate. By Delaware Railroad to Jersey City, Philadelphia and the West, 4,122,500; by water to New York, 300,500; to Liverpool, 2000; by water to Philadelphia 1,536,730; by water to Baltimore, 1,887,000; to Wilmington, 80,000; to New York, *via* the N. J. Southern Railroad, 53,432; used in Drying Houses and Canneries, 576,054; used in Distilleries, 235,000, making the whole amount of peaches grown on the Peninsula, not including those that were lost by not picking, 8,782,721 basket.

As to the profits realized from this vast crop, (from careful inquiries) the following estimate is made:

New York, by rail....12c.	$302,932	
" " by water..20c.	60,000	
		$362,932
Philadelphia, by rail...9c.	$ 46,000	
" by water..25c.	384,182	
		430,182
Boston.....32c.		102,369
Chicago and the West.28c.		123,060
Interior Penna.....36c.		71,400
Western New York....30c.		16,650
Other points, including Newark, Elizabeth, &c12c.		14,760
Baltimore.....30c		566,100
Wilmington and P. & D. R. R.....30c.		25,500
Net profit returned to growers...		$1,693,941

From this is to be deducted the expense of picking and hauling; the cost of baskets and crates, and other incidental items, which it places at 8 cts. per basket and 20cts per crate, making the sum total, 940,000, which being deducted from the net profits of shipments, as above, leave $753,944, exclusive of the amounts realized from the Canneries, drying establishments and distilleries.

The N. J., Smyrna & Bombay Hook R. R.

At a meeting of the bondholders of this company held in New York on Tuesday, the plan of Jay Gould for the consolidation of its various branches and connections was, after a warm and excited discussion, adopted by a vote of 13 to 10. The following is Gould's plan: To fund all the bonded debt with its accrued interest; one-half in new bonds, and one-half in registered stock. The debt of the two Peninsula roads is: Smyrna and Delaware Bay, $282,500; Kent county, $300,000. Adding in the accrued interest there will be $156,500 in new bonds issued to the Smyrna and Delaware Bay road; and $160,500 to the Kent county. The total bonded debt of the whole line to New York will be $2,015,500.

Mr. John G. Stevens, engineer, has made an examination of these roads and has prepared a report. From the Maryland and Delaware connections Mr. Stevens has great hopes. These roads are in fair condition, and are doing a good local business, which the proposed increased facilities would greatly enlarge. A great deal of Baltimore freight would be diverted to New York, and the present time to Baltimore would be shortened one-half, which would increase travel greatly. At least 150 car-loads of peaches per annum could be relied on. The new combination cannot hope to take any heavy freight business between New York and Baltimore from the present routes, on account of the necessity of frequent handling, but a large light trade in fruit, vegetables, fish, oyster and express matter can be diverted by running express trains, with refrigerator cars, at a high rate of speed. The new line would also probably get the passenger travel between Baltimore and Cape May—6,000 persons last year.

Mr. Stevens states that work to the amount of $38,520 must be done on the Smyrna and Delaware Bay road, and advises the extension of the Kent county road to Herring Pond, at an expense of $123,025, and to Rock Hall at an expense of $25,800. A telegraph line across Delaware Bay, at Bombay Hook, will cost $10,000.

Maryland Affairs.

MORE CONTESTING.—It is rumored that Messrs. Denny and Morgan intend contesting the election of Messrs. Dodson and Fitzjerrall, elected to the Legislature from Talbot county, on the ground of the ineligibility of the gentlemen returned elected. Mr. Dodson is the federal postmaster at St. Michael's, and Mr. Fitzjerrall is at present sheriff of this county, and both appear to be excluded by the constitution of 1867. We are not advised that there is anything serious in the report. It has been suggested in Mr. Dodson's case that if he was ineligible when the ballots were cast for him, they were simply so many blank votes; and if they were blanks at the time they were cast, his subsequent resignation of the federal office he then held cannot vitalize those blanks. It will be a nice question for the committee on elections in the House to determine, should Mr Dodson's seat be contested.—*Easton Star.*

LARGE TURTLE.—Capt. Wm. Wallace of Dames Quarter, while dredging off Hoynes Point, yesterday week, caught a tremendous sea turtle, which he succeeded in hauling to shore only by the use of three sets of halyards and twelve men. The gigantic fellow being landed, his dimensions were taken; he was ten feet long, and from tip of fin to tip of fin 8 feet. It is an ordinary occurrence to see large turtles out in the Sound, but one so large as this is certainly a foreigner. We suggest that a conoe be made out of his shell. *Crisfield Leader.*

On Wednesday week the Academy building at Salisbury caught fire on the roof from some cause or other and for a time it looked as if the fate of that old house was sealed. Willing hands soon however extinguished the flames and still it remains the place where the young idea learas to shoot.

A WINDFALL.—James H. Powers, of Federalsburg, is in receipt of a letter from a lawyer informing him that a great aunt, Mrs. Emma Blydenburg, aged 87, died recently in Indianapolis, Ind., possessed of property to the amount of $109,000 and had willed him one-fourth of her estate.

The Seventeenth Annual Meeting of the Local Preachers and Exhorters Association of the Wilmington Conference, will be held in Chestertown, Md., commencing on Friday evening, November 19th. The annual sermon will be preached by Wm. H. Vanhorn.

Mr. Daniel Bratton, agent, sold at private sale, to Mr. Lewis T. Roberts, on Saturday week, a valuable farm, the property of Vincent S. Caleb, adjoining the village of Cherry Hill, and containing about 177 acres of first quality land, for the sum of $10,000.

The Caroline county fair has collapsed.—There was a graveyard in the tract of ground directly in the line of the race course, and as no other suitable place can be obtained at present the exhibition is indefinitely postponed.

Could anything be more characteristic of the lower Peninsula than the following item from the *Courier* of Federalsburg? "And now the season has arrived when Sunday visits to fat hogs are made."

Firing of a small cannon in the rear of the old Hotel at Salisbury on the day of the Democratic Mass Meeting shattered several panes of glass in the Southern Methodist Church.

The crack of the sportsman's gun and yelping of hounds is heard on every side in Dorchester county. Squirrels and Partridges are very numerous.

Rev. Dr. Phœbus is teaching in the Elkton Academy for a few weeks, in place of Mr. Wimbrough, who is away on a visit to his family.

Cecil county jail is now nearly empty, there being but one man, one rabbit and a kitten domiciled there, which is rough on the rabbit.

Samuel Venables, of Wycomico county, was accidentally killed last Friday by inadvertently handling his gun.

Large numbers of ducks and geese are reported as being in the bay and about the mouth of Choptank river.

All kinds of game is scarcer this fall than ever before. Another reason why we should have a more stringent game law.—*Advertiser.*

Many of the land owners near Salisbury are complaining of night hunters cutting valuable timber while in pursuit of coons.

Rabbits are plenty in Elk Neck. A gentleman of Elkton, a short time ago, went down and killed fifteen in about two hours.

A new monthly paper is to be started in Salisbury about the first of January next.

Is your Life Worth 10 Cents?

Sickness prevails everywhere, and everybody complains of some disease during their life. When sick, the object is to get well; now we say plainly that no person in this world that is suffering with Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint and its effects, such as Indigestion, Costiveness, Sick Headache, Sour Stomach, Heartburn, Palpitation of the Heart, Depressed Spirits, Biliousness, &c., can take *Green's August Flower* without getting relief If you doubt th go to your Druggist, Dr. Chamberlain, Middletown, Del., or H. P. Baker, Odessa, Del. and get a sample bottle for 10 cents and try it, or a regular size for 75 cts.

SANO CORPORE.—The influence of the stomach on the brain should be carefully heeded. Let the stomach be in slight degree disturbed, and the entire nervous system becomes a sufferer. Bring the stomach to a healthy tone, and the nervous machinery promptly resumes its perfect running order. Happily, there is no necessity for any long disarrangement of the functions of the stomach, since in Ayer's Pills we have so perfect a combination admirably adapted for relief. They have stood the test of years, and have exhibited stomachic properties most wonderful. Their wise use, by keeping the system in perfect order, promotes longevity, and what is far better, ensures the full enjoyment of the time spent here. We use them and know their value.—*Florence (Kans.) Pioneer.*

Business Locals.

The best Mince Meat for 13 cents, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

Raisins, Prunes, Citron, Dried Fruits, Canned Goods, new and fresh, at S. M. REYNOLDS'

Peterson's best Buckwheat; Turk's Island, Ashton, Ground Alum and Rock Salt in store and for sale by S. M. REYNOLDS.

Call at the Boot and Shoe Store (next door to the Post Office,) and examine the stock of Men's and Boys' KIP BOOTS. A first-class article at the lowest figures.

Chamois skins for cleaning windows and carriages 20, 25, 30, and 40 cents at ANDERSON'S DRUG STORE.

Calicoes of the latest style, 5, 6, 7 and 8 cents per yard, at G. W. W. NAUDAIN'S.

Spear's Silver Moon Anti-Clinker Parlor Stoves, the wonder of the age. For sale by ELIASON & BENSON.

The Boot, Shoe and Hat Store will supply everything in their line as fast as they learn the needs of the community. New goods coming in every few days.

For cheap Boots and Shoes, go to G. W. W. NAUDAIN'S

Visiting cards, extra fine, and of the most fashionable styles, can be had, beautifully printed, for seventy-five cents per package of fifty cards, at the TRANSCRIPT office.

Fine Enameled and Copper Ware. For sale by ELIASON & BENSON.

A splendid Three Button Kid Glove for 90 cents, at G. W. W. NAUDAIN'S.

Ladies go to G. W. W. NAUDAIN'S for Hamburg Edgings and Insertings, prices from 8 to 50 cents per yard.

Inodorous and Steamless Stove Ware, preventing any escape of unpleasant odors from articles while being cooked. For sale by ELIASON & BENSON.

1,500 yards Hamburg Edgings, at W. H. MOORE & CO.'S, very cheap.

I have a nice assortment of Ladies' Dress Goods, Black Plumb and Seal Brown Cashmeres, Camel Hair Cloth, French Costume, Cretonne Mixtures, Lustre Twill, which I am selling very low for cash. G. W. W. NAUDAIN.

A full line of House Furnishing Goods, low, low, low, at ELIASON & BENSON'S.

Comic, Housekeepers' and other Almanacs furnished merchants and other business men, with advertisements of their business neatly printed on the cover, at less than city prices, at the TRANSCRIPT office. Call and see.

Flannels and Muslins, I am selling very low, with a large assortment of Men's Under Clothing. G. W. W. NAUDAIN.

Corrugated and Adjustable Stove Pipe Elbows. For sale by ELIASON & BENSON.

If you want a pair of good Shop-Made Boots, go to W. H. MOORE & CO.'S. Every pair warranted.

A very handsome line of Shawls, at W. H. MOORE & CO.'S.

The best yard wide 12½ cents Bleached Muslin, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

French and American Cloths and Cassimeres for Gents' and Boys' Suits, very low at G. W. W. NAUDAIN'S.

An entirely new and fine assortment of Toilet and Fancy articles at ANDERSON'S DRUG STORE (Barr's old stand.)

Knives, Forks and Castors, used but 3 days at the Fair, for sale cheap by ELIASON & BENSON.

A nice stock of French and English perfumery—Jasmine, Heliotrope, White Rose, Jockey Club, &c., at ANDERSON'S DRUG STORE.

An elegant Two-Button Kid Glove for 90 cents cash, at S. M. REYNOLDS.

All sizes window glass at ANDERSON'S DRUG STORE (Barr's old stand.)

Granulated Sugar 12 cents; A 11 cts, and B 10 cts, CASH, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

BILL HEADS, Shipping Tags, &c., can be had at the TRANSCRIPT office, at very low rates.

No. 1, 2, and 3 Mackerel in barrels, half barrels, and quarters; New Split Labrador Herring in barrels and half barrels, just received and for sale by S. M. REYNOLDS.

A choice Rio Coffee, green, 25 cents, roasted 30 cents, CASH, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

Ladies in need of a nice Silk Dress, call at S. M. REYNOLDS' and look at those Guinet Black Silks at $1.50 and $1 75 per yard, just received direct from the importers.

Ladies call at S. M. REYNOLDS' and look at the new assortment of Hamburg Edgings and Insertings, in all widths and prices from 10 cents and upwards.

ENVELOPES of all sizes, and letter heads with business cards, furnished, very cheap at the TRANSCRIPT office.

Clark's best Spool Cotton, 6 cents per Spool or 70 cents per dozen *Cash*, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

Ladies and Gents newest style Windsor Ties and Scarfs in all shades and widths from 20 cents to $1.00, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

A full line of heavy Merino Underwear for Ladies and Gentlemen, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

The best 12½ cent Hose in the market, for sale by S. M. REYNOLDS

1000 yards of the best Calicoes, selling off at 8 and 9 cents, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

New Orleans and Porto Rico Molasses, Choice Sugar Loaf Drips and Sugar House Syrups, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

A good Black Tea for 50 cents, at S. M. REYNOLDS'.

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